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TOPIC ALT LOENNETTE Airfield

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- 25X1 1. There was little activity at the ALT LOENNETZ (N 52/E 84) airfield due to bad weather. All hangars were closed. Some aircraft of undetermined type were parked on the northwest edge. There was no flying.
- 2/ According to a German civilian employed at the field, as many as 150 single-engine aircraft occasionally landed at the field. Some planes only took on fuel and rations for their crews.
- a. The present occupation was unknown. Three rail shipments of five jet fighters each had allegedly arrived. The aircraft which were assembled at the field, made some flights and then left. The last group left about 23 November 1949. The jet planes had conspicuously swept back wings and, under the fuselage, an aperture to the rear from which a jet of fire emanated when the engine was started.
- 25X1 3. The radar set with seven dipoles and the pertaining radio truck [redacted] previously observed north of the field was no longer there. The motor vehicles [redacted] bus, [redacted] were seen.
- 25X1 4. The officers' billets on Fr.v.Hein-Strasse, FALKENBERG (N 52/E 74), were evacuated and according to the municipal administration, the houses on Goethestrasse were soon to be empty. The dwellings there would, however, not be released to the civilian population as new Soviet dependents were expected.
- 25X1 [redacted] Comment:
- 25X1 a. It is noteworthy that [redacted] in October 1949 [redacted] about 20 jet aircraft [redacted] were parked in a strictly guarded hangar. It is considered possible that all disassembled jet aircraft which arrive by rail for distribution in the Soviet Zone of Germany are shipped to the ALT LOENNETZ airfield where they are assembled and flown to their destination. The jet planes which took off on 23 November 1949 were possibly destined for the GROSSENHAIN airfield. In connection with the occupation of the GROSSENHAIN airfield where jet aircraft of the swept back type are now stationed, shipments from LIEGNITZ via COTTBUS to FALKENBERG were also observed. \*\*
- b. A fighter regiment is assumed to be stationed in ALT LOENNETZ.

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